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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

1. Francis Gary Powers came to see me today to ask advice regarding a telephone call from his father. His father said that [REDACTED] wanted to get in touch with Powers. STATOTHR

STATOTHR 2. I told him of [REDACTED] sharpness of mind and somewhat devious methods of operation, and suggested that he not see [REDACTED] or any other literary man or writer, but that to all such requests he say, sorry, he has many offers to write but is not going to do any writing for sometime to come. STATOTHR

STATOTHR 3. Powers said he will telephone to his father tonight to please let him handle his own business and also to ask if the father went to [REDACTED] or if [REDACTED] went to the father. The latter would be my guess. STATOTHR

4. Powers said he is not going to do any writing now and he is sorry if he caused any difficulties over his father's report that he was writing a book at his own desire to answer the U-2 book of Ross and Wise. He said he wants very much to go back to the Air Force and believes his writing a book or doing other writing would certainly be an obstacle and might even prevent his return to flying status with the Air Force.

5. He was in good spirits and obviously has decided that the decision not to write is a proper one.

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